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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, please find attached hereto form PTO-1449 listing information which may be material to the patentability of this application, filed on December 22, 2004.

Cited in the attached PTO-1449 are U.S. Patent Nos. 2,581,843, 3,127,695 and 4,839,974. Pursuant to the waiving of the requirement of 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of these U.S. references are not enclosed.

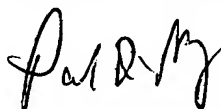
We are enclosing copies of European Patent Nos. 0068885, 0382127 and 0655521. We are also enclosing a copy of the International Search Report dated January 16, 2004 from corresponding PCT Application Serial No: PCT/EP03/06729.

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It should be understood that attention has been called to the references that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed references and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

Respectfully submitted,



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